

Voting members of the FCC,

1.) This proposal goes against the very tenets that the airwaves are public property and as such the private organization should have to license them from the public domain.

2.) This proposal gives corporations (with your blessing) the right to determine what I can and cannot do with publicly distributed content. This clearly impinges my fair-use rights of time and media shifting.

3.) This proposal threatens computer businesses with power of the media industry by limiting the use of a computer. This proposal would preclude a user's choice of what hardware and Operating System they would choose to run in their own home. This has already been displayed in the case of DVD's. Because DVD players use a proprietary format that the industry refuses to make legally available certain operating systems cannot legally view DVD (even though they have purchased a DVD capable device). This means that normally law abiding citizens (me) have to break the law (DMCA via DeCSS) to view purchase DVD's (or rented) on purchase DVD hardware (internal DVD drive). This is patently ridiculous and a discredit to our gov't and the agencies that serve it.

Please break this ever tightening spiral of clearly evident corporatism in the gov't and remember that part of your purpose is the representation of the citizen. Not just the arbitrary approval of whatever the media companies say would be best for them.

Another thought. Media companies will still produce content without these controls. That is their business model. They will do fine without these controls as they have in the past. They have transcended the VHS and the cassette tape. This ploy is a strategem devised for them to have tighter control over something they have (as yet) no right to control. The life of private citizens.

Thank You,

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